

STATE OF MAINE

PROBATE COURT

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT COURT

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

IN RE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Minor Child)

PETITION FOR: (Check one)

MODIFICATION OF GUARDIANSHIP

CHILD SUPPORT ONLY

TERMINATION OF GUARDIANSHIP

REMOVAL OF GUARDIAN

RESIGNATION OF GUARDIAN

18-C M.R.S. § 5-210

1. **Petitioner Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City/Town Zip*

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City/Town Zip*

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Petitioner is:**

Guardian of the minor;

Parent of the minor;

A person interested in the welfare of the minor, specifically: \_\_\_\_\_;

The minor.

3. **Minor Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City/Town Zip*

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City/Town Zip*

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Notice of Proceeding**

Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all persons who must be notified of this proceeding and relationship of each such person to the minor. The following must be notified:

- a. The minor, if 14 years of age or older, and if not the petitioner;
- b. Any person alleging to have primary care and custody of the minor during the 60 days before the filing of the petition;
- c. Each living parent of the minor or, if none exists, the adult nearest in kinship who can be found;
- d. Any person nominated as a guardian by the minor, if the minor is 14 years of age or older;
- e. Any parent's appointee whose appointment has not been prevented or terminated; and
- f. Any guardian or conservator currently acting for the minor in this state or elsewhere.

NAME	ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP

**5. Petitioner believes:** (check where applicable)

- a.  **The guardianship should be modified.** *Unless you are seeking to modify only child support, you must attach an affidavit describing the substantial change in circumstances that have occurred since the appointment of the guardian of minor.*

**Please select in what way the Order Appointing Guardian of Minor should be modified:**

**Child Support.** A child support order may be modified if it has been at least three years since it was issued or, if it has been less than three years, if the parents' income has changed at least 15% since the child support order was issued.

**Other.** Please describe below:

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*(please attach an additional sheet if necessary)*

- b.  **The guardianship should be terminated.** *You must attach an affidavit describing why the guardianship should be terminated.*
- c.  **The guardian should be removed.** *You must attach an affidavit describing why the guardian should be removed.*
- d.  **The resignation of the guardian should be accepted.** *You must attach an affidavit describing why the guardian's resignation should be accepted.*

**6. The Court may appoint an additional guardian at any time, to serve immediately or upon a designated event.**

**Is the appointment of an additional guardian necessary?**  Yes  No

If yes, please provide information about the proposed additional guardian below, and why appointment of an additional guardian is necessary:

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*(please attach an additional sheet if necessary)*

**7. The Court may appoint a successor guardian in the event of a vacancy of a guardian. Is the appointment of a successor guardian necessary?**  Yes  No

If yes, please explain what you are proposing and what steps you have taken to accomplish this. Please note that if a successor guardian is required, a new petition for appointment of that successor guardian must accompany this petition.

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*(please attach an additional sheet if necessary)*

**8. At the time of the guardian’s appointment, was an attorney or a guardian ad litem appointed for the minor?**

Yes  No. If yes, please identify the attorney or guardian ad litem below:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

**9. Will the minor attend the hearing?**  Yes  No. If no, state the reason why not:

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**10. REQUESTS FOR ORDER(S). Petitioner requests the following:**

- A judicial finding and order that this guardianship be modified;
- A judicial finding and order that this guardianship be terminated;
- A judicial finding and order that the current guardian be removed;
- A judicial finding and order that the current guardian’s resignation be accepted;
- That the Court appoint an additional guardian; and/or
- That the Court appoint a successor guardian.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Petitioner**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attorney for Petitioner, if any:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Attorney and Maine Bar Registration Number

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATE OF MAINE**

\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY

Personally appeared the above named, \_\_\_\_\_, and made oath that the foregoing statements are true under penalty of perjury.

Before me,

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney at Law / Notary Public / Register / Clerk